

2017 Summer Camps

at the Lancaster County Environmental Center



3 - 5 year olds (Tuesday – Thursday)

Furry Critters

June 13th – 15th from 9:00 – 11:00 am

\$52 per camper, age 3 -5; must have attended preschool

Bears, mice, and even people--we're all mammals! What other animals are furry critters like us? Preschoolers will discover the mammals in their own backyards through hands-on discovery with puppets and pelts, and through curiosity-sparking habitat walks, games, and crafts.



Birds of a Feather

June 27th – 29th from 9:00 – 11:00 am

\$52 per camper, age 3-5; must have attended preschool

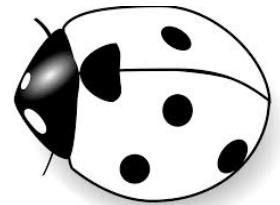
Time to fly! Find out extraordinary facts about the birds we see every day - and some you haven't. Join the flock this week to look and listen for birds, examine bird parts, play games, and create bird art.

Big World of Bugs

July 18th – 20th from 9:00 – 11:00 am

\$52 per camper, age 3-5; must have attended preschool

Bugs inhabit every corner and crevice of the world, and they come in every shape, color, and size. Preschool kids will search for, catch, and collect bugs to learn about their body parts, their homes, and their habits. Together we will play games, make bug catchers to collect our own bugs at home, and complete a craft that teaches the magic of metamorphosis.



Slithery, Slimy, Creepy Crawly Critters

August 8th – 10th from 9:00 – 11:00 am

\$52 per camper, age 3-5; must have attended preschool



Interested in reptiles, amphibians, and insects? Campers will explore Lancaster County Central Park to look for and learn about some of Pennsylvania's slithery, slimy inhabitants. Also included is a visit from a local herpetologist, where campers will be able to meet a live snake, frog, and salamander.

Nature's Mysteries

August 22nd – 24th from 9:00 – 11:00 am

\$52 per camper, age 3-5; must have attended preschool

Kids will explore their natural environment to learn about the local inhabitants. They will check bird boxes for birds' nests, turn logs and rocks, dig in the dirt, hike along the creek and run in the field with butterfly nets. Kids will learn the magic of metamorphosis, the mystery of spider webs, the details and design of leaves and the wonder of clouds. Together we will play outside, complete crafts and read stories as we unravel nature's mysteries.



6 – 9 year olds

Child vs. Wild

June 19th – 23rd or July 24th – 28th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

This is Survival Camp for younger children. Campers will learn fire safety, shelter building, safe versus poisonous plants, hiking basics, cooking over the fire and much more. Children will also observe and explore the skills that local animals use to survive in the environment.



Mixture Madness

June 26th – 30th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$90 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

From bioluminescent slime to fountains of soda, this week is all about messy science. Children will learn about basic chemical reactions by conducting experiments that ooze, fizz, change color, glow, and take flight. They will be encouraged to explore these concepts while practicing proper lab safety protocols. All experiments will feature safe, household grade ingredients.

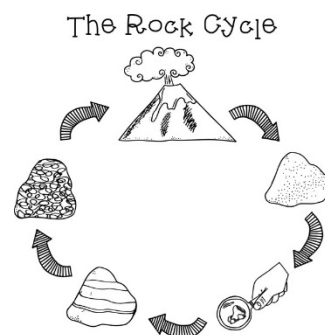


Rocks Rock!

July 10th – July 14st from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

Do you have a budding geologist on your hands? *Rocks Rock!* is the camp for them. Children will hike to discover Central Park geology, collect rocks and test their physical properties. Campers will also make simple seismographs, simulate earthquakes, and examine sands from various localities among other activities over the week.



Wacky Water

July 17th – 21th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

Get your feet wet and discover our watery world with daily aquatic explorations. Visit the stream and pond to search for insects, invertebrates, plants and amphibians. Try some water experiments, make bubble pie, and explore the water cycle.

Wings and Things

July 31st – August 4th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

Birds, bees, and bats can do it, can you? Discover the world of flight while searching for and studying birds and insects. Use your bat senses to find out more about these cool creatures and have fun creating, comparing and testing your own flying objects.





Slithery, Slimy, Creepy Crawly Critters

August 7th – 11th from 12:30 – 3:30 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

Come explore the streams, woods, and fields of Lancaster County Central Park and discover the reptiles, amphibians, and insects who live nearby. Campers will also enjoy a special visit from a local herpetologist, where they will meet a live snake, frog, and salamander.

Earth Keepers

August 14th – 18th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$86 per camper, age 6-9; must have completed kindergarten

The earth is being polluted - and it's up to you to save it! Summon your super strength and eco-knowledge: it's time to join the fun fight for clean air, water, and soil. Meet Eco-heroes of the past! Plant a garden with reused materials! Build a car powered by water! Come enjoy an energetic week aimed at empowering children to be imaginative change-makers in their communities.



Ages 8 & up



Follow the Clues...

June 19th – 23rd from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$152 per camper, age 8+

Do you enjoy intrigue and activity? Do you enjoy solving codes and riddles and piecing together bits of forensic evidence? Bring your curiosity and skills of observation and analysis to apply in areas ranging from archaeology to forensics to geocaching and orienteering.

Times Gone By: Native American and Pioneer Life

July 10th – 14th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$152 per camper, age 8+

Campers will roll time back to experience lifeways of native peoples in North America prior to European contact and then move toward the present to discover life of pioneers on the frontier. Through the week, campers will participate in tasks of daily living as well as the crafts and games which Native American and pioneer children enjoyed.

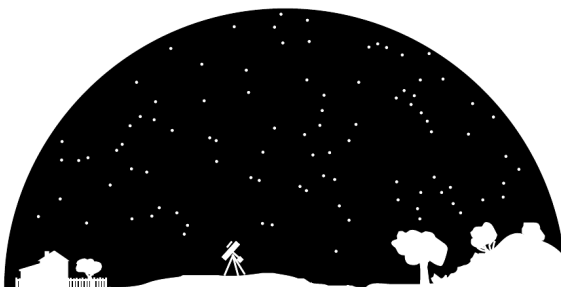


Discover the Night

July 24th – 27th from 6:30 – 9:30 pm (Monday through Thursday)

\$76 per camper, age 8+

When the sun goes down, a whole new world comes to life. From bats, moths, frogs and flying squirrels to shooting stars and constellations, we will immerse ourselves in the mysterious night life of Central Park. Activities include dissecting owl pellets, night hikes, stargazing, and camp fires.



Ages 9 & up



Survival in Central Park

July 31st – August 4th or August 21st – 25th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$152 per camper, age 9+

If you like to play and learn in the woods - this is the camp for you! Campers will learn and practice survival skills including shelter building, fire-starting, campfire cooking, navigation, water purification, basic first aid, wild edibles and much more.

Ages 10 & up

Ultimate Adventure

July 17th – 21st from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$180 per camper, age 10+

For kids 10 and older, Ultimate Adventure Camp will offer a different adventure every day. Campers will go tubing at Sickman's Mill, hiking at Rocky Ridge County Park, kayaking and hiking at Gifford Pinchot State Park, climbing at Reading Rocks, and geocaching in Speedwell Forge County Park. Campers will also have time to cool off at our local Central Park Pool. Activities will be challenging and kids need to be prepared for full active days.



H₂O Adventure

August 14th – 18nd from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$162 per camper, age 10+

Kids ages 10 and over will have a blast being hooked on water. Water adventures include hiking the creek, fishing, tubing at Sickman's Mill, water games, and spending time at the local Central Park Pool. Campers will also learn about water molecules and the properties of water. They will build a water purifier that could be used in a survival situation. Kids should be prepared to get wet and have fun.

For more information or to register, please call 717-295-2055

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